

Remarks

Claims 1 and 25 are amended herein to incorporate the limitations of claim 9. Claims 5, 9, 14-21, 34-38 are canceled herein, without prejudice to renewal, solely to reduce the filing fee. Applicants reserve the right to pursue these claims in a continuation application.

By this amendment the specification has been updated to reflect prior related applications, and to insert the abstract on a separate page.

No new matter has been added.

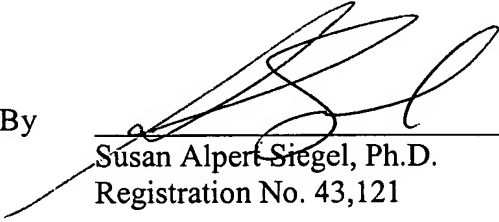
Conclusion

Applicants believe that the application is in condition for substantive examination, which action is requested. If any minor matters remain to be addressed prior to substantive examination, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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